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**A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF EVANSVILLE, INDIANA
OBSERVING NATIONAL MARITIME DAY**

WHEREAS, The Common Council of the City of Evansville, Indiana hereby observes National Maritime Day; and,

WHEREAS, The United States Merchant Marine is the fleet of private and government, civilian-owned merchant vessels that participate in the trade or transportation of goods and services through navigable waters of the United States; and,

WHEREAS, National Maritime Day, a federal observance, was created by the United States Congress on May 20, 1933; and,

WHEREAS, National Maritime Day is nationally observed on May 22 of each year; and,

WHEREAS, May 22, 1819, marks the date when an American steamship, the *Savannah*, set sail from Savannah, Georgia on the first-ever transoceanic voyage that was powered by steam; and,

WHEREAS, throughout American history, ordinary men and women have accomplished extraordinary objectives as United States Merchant Marines; and,

WHEREAS, Merchant Mariners move cargo and passengers between nations and within the United States, operate and maintain deep-sea merchant ships, tugboats, towboats, ferries, dredges, excursion vessels, and other waterborne craft on the oceans, the Great Lakes, rivers, canals, harbors, and other waterways; and,

WHEREAS, the Merchant Marine supports our military forces by shipping troops and supplies wherever they need to go; and,

WHEREAS, the Merchant Marine powers the world's largest economy and strengthens our ties with international trading partners at all times; and,

WHEREAS, Evansville, Indiana, located on the Ohio River, has a rich and fruitful history with the Merchant Marine; and,

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CITY CLERK

WHEREAS, historically, Evansville's commercial prosperity is deeply rooted in its access to the Ohio River and the trade opportunities that the waterway provides; and,

WHEREAS, Evansville, Indiana was the largest producer of LST's in the nation, at times producing two per week during World War II, with a total of 167 LST's produced as well as 35 other craft at the Evansville shipyard with the assistance of the Merchant Marine.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF EVANSVILLE, INDIANA HEREBY observes National Maritime Day.

PASSED BY the Common Council of the City of Evansville, Indiana, on the 12th day of May, 2014 on said day signed by the President of the Common Council and attested by the City Clerk.



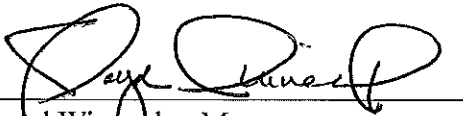
John Friend, President of the Common
Council, City of Evansville, Indiana

ATTEST: Laura Windhorst
Laura Windhorst, City Clerk

Presented by me, the undersigned City Clerk of the City of Evansville, Indiana, to the Mayor of Evansville, this 13 day of May, 2014, at 3 o'clock P.m. for his consideration and action thereon

Laura Windhorst
Laura Windhorst, City Clerk
City of Evansville, Indiana

Having examined the foregoing resolution, I do now, as Mayor of the City of Evansville, Indiana, approve said resolution and return the same to the City Clerk this 13th day of May, 2014, at 4:30 o'clock P.m.



Lloyd Winnecke, Mayor
City of Evansville, Indiana